



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 23

FOURTH SESSION, FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

The House resumed the debate on the Proposed Motion of Mr. ISLEIFSON:

THAT Bill (No. 205) – The Filipino Heritage Month Act/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine philippin, be now read a Second Time and be referred to Committee of this House.

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. ALTOMARE and NESBITT, Ms. NAYLOR, Hon. Mr. GERRARD, MLA ASAGWARA and Mr. MOSES having spoken,

And Mr. WIEBE speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

Mr. SCHULER moved:

Resolution No. 5: Reducing Barriers for Ukrainians Seeking Refuge

WHEREAS on February 24th, 2022 the country of Ukraine was attacked with a full-scale military invasion by Russia; and

WHEREAS this conflict has displaced over a million Ukrainian people; and

WHEREAS the province of Manitoba has strong interpersonal, cultural, and historical connections with the country and people of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS Ukrainian immigrants have helped shape and build Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the province and good people of Manitoba are outraged at the conflict in Ukraine and wish to step up and assist Ukrainians in any way; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has provided financial support for humanitarian aid to the people of Ukraine through the Ukrainian Canadian Congress; and

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WHEREAS immigration to Canada requires a coordination between Ukraine, Provincial, and Federal levels of Government in Canada; and

WHEREAS Manitoba continues to support the independence and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to call on the Provincial Government to waive the fee for Ukrainians under the Manitoba Provincial Nominee Program, in order to reduce barriers for Ukrainians citizens fleeing the conflict and to expedite their journey, and to collaborate with the Federal Government in assisting Ukrainians who seek safety and refuge in Manitoba.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. SCHULER having spoken,

And Messrs. WASYLIW and SMOOK, Ms. LAMOUREUX and Messrs. MICHALESKI and BRAR having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. WASYLIW, SMOOK and BRAR, Ms. LAMOUREUX and Messrs. MICHALESKI and SALA having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 18) – The Legislative Security Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité de la Cité législative

(Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN)

(No. 23) – The Reducing Red Tape and Improving Services Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 visant la réduction du fardeau administratif et l'amélioration des services

(Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN)

(No. 24) – The Real Property Valuation Board and Related Amendments Act/Loi sur la Commission de l'évaluation des biens réels et modifications connexes

(Hon. Mr. HELWER)

(No. 218) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation

(Mr. SALA)

Mr. ISLEIFSON, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Social and Economic Development, presented its Second Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings

Your Committee met on March 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- **Bill (No. 5)** – The Coat of Arms, Emblems and the Manitoba Tartan Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les armoiries, les emblèmes et le tartan du Manitoba
- **Bill (No. 10)** – An Act respecting Amendments to The Health Services Insurance Act, The Pharmaceutical Act and Various Corporate Statutes/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assurance-maladie, la Loi sur les pharmacies et diverses lois visant des corporations
- **Bill (No. 11)** – The Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale

Committee Membership

As per the Sessional Order passed by the House on October 7, 2020, amended on November 19, 2020, December 3, 2020, May 18, 2021, December 1, 2021 and further amended on March 1, 2022, Rule 83(2) was waived for the March 14, 2022 meeting, reducing the membership to six Members (4 Government and 2 Official Opposition).

- MLA ASAGWARA
- Ms. FONTAINE
- Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN
- Hon. Ms. GORDON
- Mr. ISLEIFSON
- Mr. NESBITT

Your Committee elected Mr. ISLEIFSON as the Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Mr. NESBITT as the Vice-Chairperson.

Non-Committee Members Speaking on Record

- Hon. Mr. GERRARD

Public Presentations

Your Committee heard the following presentation on Bill (No. 10) – An Act respecting Amendments to The Health Services Insurance Act, The Pharmaceutical Act and Various Corporate Statutes/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assurance-maladie, la Loi sur les pharmacies et diverses lois visant des corporations:

David Kron

Cerebral Palsy Association of Manitoba

Bills Considered and Reported

- **Bill (No. 5)** – The Coat of Arms, Emblems and the Manitoba Tartan Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les armoiries, les emblèmes et le tartan du Manitoba

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 10)** – An Act respecting Amendments to The Health Services Insurance Act, The Pharmaceutical Act and Various Corporate Statutes/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assurance-maladie, la Loi sur les pharmacies et diverses lois visant des corporations

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

- **Bill (No. 11)** – The Elections Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi électorale

Your Committee agreed to report this Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. ISLEIFSON, the Report of the Committee was received.

Hon. Ms. SQUIRES, the Minister of Families, made a statement recognizing Stop Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Week.

Ms. FONTAINE and, by leave, Ms. LAMOUREUX commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Ms. MORLEY-LECOMTE, Ms. FONTAINE and Messrs. MARTIN, MALOWAY and LAMONT made Members' Statements.

The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:

Mr. WIEBE – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

MLA ASAGWARA – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

Mr. BRAR – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

Mr. BUSHIE – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

MLA LINDSEY – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

Mr. MALOWAY – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately demand Dynacare maintain all the phlebotomy (blood sample) sites existing prior to the Covid-19 public health emergency, and allow all Manitobans to get their blood and urine tests done when visiting their doctor, thereby facilitating local access to blood testing services.

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – To urge the Provincial Government to undertake a combined review of the Vivian Sand Facility processing plant and the mining/extraction portion of the operation as a Class 3 development with a review by Manitoba’s Clean Environment Commission to include public hearings and participant funding and; to urge the Provincial Government to halt all activity at the mine and plant until the Clean Environment Commission’s review is completed and the project proposal has been thoroughly evaluated.

Ms. FONTAINE – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately ensure effective and safe access to abortion services for individuals regardless of where they reside in Manitoba and to ensure that buffer zones are immediately legislated.

MLA MARCELINO – To urge the Provincial Government to take action to reduce people’s exposure to lead in Winnipeg and to implement the recommendations proposed by the Provincial Government’s independent review, including the creation of an action plan for the Weston neighbourhood, developing a lead awareness, communications and outreach program, requisitioning a more in-depth study and a creating a tracking program for those tested for blood lead levels so that medical professionals can follow up with them.

Mr. MOSES – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

Ms. NAYLOR – To urge the Provincial Government to support a declaration that the first week in February of each year be known as Eating Disorders Awareness Week.

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

In accordance with Rule 33(7), the Government House Leader announced that the Private Member’s Resolution titled “Recognizing a Successful Agriculture Safety Week” will be considered on the next Tuesday of Private Members’ Business.

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Hon. Mr. FRIESEN delivered to Madam Speaker a message from His Honour, the Administrator of the Province of Manitoba as follows:

Richard CHARTIER
Administrator

I have been informed of a proposed Bill, The Interim Appropriation Act, 2022, which will provide interim authority to make expenditures from the Consolidated Fund effective April 1, 2022 pending approval of The Appropriation Act, 2022.

The Bill also provides for payments to develop or acquire inventory and against certain liabilities accrued and unpaid as of March 31, 2022. The Bill will also provide a portion of commitment authority for future years.

I recommend the proposed Bill to the Legislative Assembly.

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(Sessional Paper No. 11)

The House resolving into Committee of Supply.

Mr. MICKLEFIELD, Chairperson of the Committee of Supply, presented the Report of the Proceedings of the Committee of March 15, 2022 as follows:

IN THE COMMITTEE

The following Resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED that there be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, a sum not exceeding \$12,687,535,000, being 75% of the total amount set out in the 2021 Estimates (including Supplementary Estimates), for the purposes set out in Part A (Operating Expenditures) of those Estimates.

RESOLVED that there be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, a sum not exceeding \$772,985,000 being 90% of the total amount set out in the 2021 Estimates (including Supplementary Estimates), for the purposes set out in Part B (Capital Investments) of those Estimates.

RESOLVED that there be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, a sum not exceeding \$370,870,000 being 90% of the total amount set out in the 2021 Estimates (including Supplementary Estimates), for the purposes set out in Part C (Loans and Guarantees) of those Estimates.

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RESOLVED that there be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, a sum not exceeding \$1,827,968,000 being 90% of the total amount set out in the 2021 Estimates (including Supplementary Estimates), for the purposes set out in Part D (Capital Investments by Other Reporting Entities) of those Estimates.

Resolutions were reported and the Report was received.

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN moved:

THAT there be granted to Her Majesty on account of Certain Expenditures of the Public Service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023, out of the Consolidated Fund for the purposes set out in the 2021 Estimates (including Supplementary Estimates), sums not exceeding:

- \$12,687,535,000, being 75% of the total amount voted as set out in Part A (Operating Expenditures) of those Estimates,
- \$772,985,000, being 90% of the total amount voted as set out in Part B (Capital Investment) of those Estimates,
- \$370,827,000, being 90% of the total amount voted as set out in Part C (Loans and Guarantees) of those Estimates,
- \$1,827,968,000, being 90% of the total amount voted as set out in Part D (Capital Investments by Other Reporting Entities) of those Estimates.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 25) – The Interim Appropriation Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 portant affectation anticipée de crédits, be now read a First Time and ordered for Second Reading immediately.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. FRIESEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 25) – The Interim Appropriation Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 portant affectation anticipée de crédits, be now read a Second Time and be referred to Committee of the Whole.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. FRIESEN having spoken,

And MLA MARCELINO and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having questioned the Minister,

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And the debate continuing,

And MLA MARCELINO and Messrs. LAMONT and WASYLIW having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The House resolving into Committee of the Whole.

Bill (No. 25) – The Interim Appropriation Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 portant affectation anticipée de crédits, was considered in Committee of the Whole and reported without amendment.

On motion of Hon. Mr. FRIESEN, Bill (No. 25) – The Interim Appropriation Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 portant affectation anticipée de crédits, as reported from the Committee of the Whole, was concurred in and read for a Third Time and passed.

Her Honour, Justice Diana CAMERON, the Acting Administrator of the Province of Manitoba having entered the House at 4:33 p.m., and being seated on the Throne:

Madam Speaker addressed the Acting Administrator in the following words:

Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of Manitoba asks Your Honour to accept the following Bill:

(No. 25) – The Interim Appropriation Act, 2022/Loi de 2022 portant affectation anticipée de crédits

To this Bill the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, the Acting Administrator thanks the Legislative Assembly, and assents to this Bill".

At 4:35 p.m., Her Honour was then pleased to retire.

The House then adjourned at 4:37 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, 2022.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,
Speaker.